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Papers Connected with **File No.** 3540/29

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SUBJECT

Important papers Connected with training of the Sampige tank

PREVIOUS REFERENCES

LATER REFERENCES

M 156-16, 376

Engineer

Vide printed correspondence,

Correspondence regarding Sampige tank and its feeder channel began as early as 1885 when there was a dispute between the Civil and Military Station and the Durbar regarding the relative claims of the Millers Tanks and Sampig Tanks for the supply of water from the feeder channel In para 16 of his memoDewan Sir K Seshadri Iyer outlined the works that the Durbar were prepared to undertake to ensure an ample supply of water to the Civil and Militar, Station These works with the conditions insisted upon by the Durbar noted in para 17 of the memo were agreed to by the Resident and the aforesaid works were carried out in 1885 and the fact was also intimated to the Residency by the Public Work Secretary on the 6th October 1885

2) There was no further correspondence about the tank till 1903 when the cultivators and owners of

lands below the Sampigo tank complained that the tank had filled that year having had no supply during the previous 20 years and that the overseer was cutting the bund and emptying the tank to their ruination, and prayed that the work might be stopped Mr. H H Sparkes, the then President of the Bangalore City Municipal Commissioner reported that owing to apprehensions of a breach of the bund and the complaint of the owners of bungalows in the neighbourhood, 3 feet of water was let out by the old channel as a precautionary measure against probable destruction of lives and property, and added that as no 'kodi' to the tank existed steps would be taken to think one after consulting the Chief Engineer. Government recorded the President's report and called for the proposals for the construction of a 'kodi' referred to.

Letter No 160 dated 21st September 1905

G O No.2723/L F 51-02. D/27-1-04.

3 In the meantime, the owners of

lands

lands below the Sampige tank again petitioned the Government complaining that the feeder channel of the tank had been diverted in several places in its course (as marked on a plan submitted by them) thereby depriving the tank of its full supply of water and prayed that the full supply might be secured to the tank

That petition was ~~forwarded~~ forwarded to the Chief Engineer for opinion and his views about the construction of a 'kodi' to the tank were also called for In reply, the Chief Engineer (Mr Mo Hutchin) invited the attention of Government to the arrangements settled between the Durbar and the Civil and Military Station in 1883 and stated that as the abnormal floods were rare it was not worth while to construct a 'kodi' at all if compensation of any large amount had to be paid to the owners of lands below the tank as the level of full supply the tank would thereby be reduced

From 45 50 to 45 00 units and that it would always be practicable to let water out by temporary cuts at times of abnorma floods. In that connection, the Municipal President Mr. A.S Nagaviar transmitted

Letter No 59 D/S-8-1904. a copy of letter from the President of the Civil and Military Station Municipality proposing to reconstruct the 'kodi' channel culvert of the tank crossing the Richmond Road and to drain away the overflow of the tank to the East of the Sampige Road, and stated that the proposal amounted to reducing the capacity of the tank from 45 to 16 units, that such a step would doubtless be stoutly opposed by the owners of lands below the tank as seriously affecting the supply of water in large wells below, that proposals to construct a 'kodi' or to permanently lower the level had been advocated not for the safety of the tank but for saving the Brewery and other buildings recently sprung up in the bed of the tank from being flooded over, and agreed with the Chief Engineer that a 'kodi' as not necessary Government agreed

G.O No 3766-7/L F 51-02 D/30-9-04

with the President requested him to have the feeder channel properly examin examined and to submit a report as to what was required to be done with reference to the arrangements agreed upon in 1888.

No.181 3/24-10-04

4. In October 1904, the Municipal President, Mr A.S.Nagavkar reported that the feeder channel from Mr Ranganacharlu's house to the Sampige Tank was in good condition, that there were two outlets in its course between those terminals opened out to feed the Millers Tanks Nos 1 and 3, that both the City and the Station having been supplied with water from the Chamarajendra Water Works the necessity for filling the Millers Tanks at the expense of the Sampige tank did not exist, and that the petitioners' prayer being reasonable the two outlets should be closed and the catchment intercepted thereby restored to the Sampige tank, so as to give full effect to the

settlement arrived at in 1885 Thereupon the British Resident was addressed in the matter and that it was intimated that the Durbar intended to restore to the Sampige Tank the catchment intercepted by the two outlets in its feeder channel

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5 In March 1905, the First Assistant Resident forwarded in reply a copy of the Civil and Military Station Municipal President's letter of the 15th idem on the subject for consideration

In that letter, the President of the Station Municipalitycontended that the two outlets in the feeder channel were never closed in 1885 nor was it definitely settled that they should be closed, that the Station Municipality had, however, no desire to press any claim to the supply for the Millers tanks from those outlets, that Sampige tank was a shallow one and gradually silting up, that

whatever might have been the extent of the tank at one time, its limits in recent years had not been considered to to extend beyond the Jail Road and that accordingly they were bound to protect the Brewery buildings constructed on the North of the said road, and claimed that if the outlets in the feeder channel had to be closed steps should be taken to prevent the tank from overflowing in the Station limits

Pol.417 D/28-11-05

In reply, the First Assistant Resident was informed that the Durbar were unable to agree to the Station Municipal President's statement that the Brewery buildings, constructed on the North of the Jail Road were bound to receive protection inasmuch as such protection could only be to the prejudice of the recognised rights of the garden owners who held lands under the tank, whose rights to use water of the tank for irrigation dated from a period long anterior to the construction of the said buildings and that as the

proprietors of those buildings erected them in the bed of the tank fully knowing the risk of such an action on their part, they could not be protected at the expense of the garden owners who paid heavy assessment to Government

Letter No 8528 D/9-6-1906

6 Thereupon the First Assistant Resident stated as follows.-

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"2 The claim of the Durbar that the Samalige tank should receive its full supply of water may be frankly admitted The diversions in question, which are of course not now required for the water supply of the Civil and Military Station, do not appear to have been intended to operate, nor on occasions of any heavy rainfall do they as a matter of fact operate, to interfere practically with any such supply or to prevent the tank filling to its full capacity The Municipal Commission of the Station have therefore no objection whatever to these diversions being closed but they point out that the tank has undoubtedly silted up

of late so that when it is full the water extends considerably further than it used to and reaches groundwhich is not shown on any map available in this office as ever having formed part of the tank bed

"5 The Resident is satisfied that the construction of any kodi calculated to lower the tank levelpermanently will prejudicially affect the interest of the owners of gardens holding lands below the tank bund and should not therefore be permitted At the same time there is, Mr Fraser thinks, strong ground for considering the interests of the Brewery and other buildings in the vicinity of the tank which now have no protection against floods, resulting from abnormal rainfall, although erected on land which, as remarked above, the available-------- --------

available records do not show to have been ever included within the water spread. In these circumstances the Resident would suggest, as an arrangement fair and suitable to both parties, that steps should be taken to construct a waste weir to carry off flood water so as to prevent the level of the water rising above 2 feet below the basement of the brewery building

" I am to request that, if the Durbar have no objection to the construction of the proposed waste weir, an estimate of the cost involved may be forwarded at an early date for the consideration ~~of the confirmation~~ of the Municipal Commission of the Civil and Military Station It is possible that the Bangalore City Municipality will not object to contributing some portion of this expenditure and I am to request that their view may kindly be ascertained and communicated to this office "

7. The several statements made in the First Assistant Resident's letter required verification, and the Government therefore requested the Chief Engineer, the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner of the Bangalore District and the President of the Bangalore City Municipal Council to meet and submit a joint report in the matter

The following were the results of the deliberations of those officers -

(a) the oldest map bearing the date of 1864 prepared by Col Sankey showed clearly that the spot on which the Brewery buildings stand was once a paddy flat irrigated by 'Kapile' wells there having been no tank above This proved that the tank bed extended over those flats or reached very near them to have allowed the springs to have been of such a high level

(b) that there has been no appreciable silting up of the tank bed during

the past 40 years

(c) Though the jail road was in 1871 considered to be the limit of the tank there was nothing to prevent its ste water spread extending over the paddy flat referred to and

(d) the ~~consideration~~ construction of a waste weir would not only affect the spring level in the wells below the tank but also operate very prejudicially to the vested interests of the owners of gardens below the tank and to the State Revenue derived therefrom

The Chief Engineer and the Survey and Settlement Commissioner also expressed their opinion that the Brewery buildings ~~can~~ could be protected by raising the floor a few inches above maximum flood level

8 The above results and opinion were duly communicated to the First Assistant Resident with information that the Durbar concurred in that opinion

No 196 D/ 5-8-06

In the meantime the Mysore Public

Works Department prepared an estimate amounting to Rs 1119 for restoring the old feeder which had been previously diverted from the Sampige Tank catchment area to feed the Millers Tank and to which the Civil and Military Station Municipal Commission had expressed their consent That estimate was sanctioned in the Public Works Secretariat in July 1907 after consulting the Superintendent of Revenue Survey Due intimation of the execution of the work was given to the Residency in August 1907

P W.Secretary's letter No 787/5596 D/7-8-07.

9 The dispute about the feeder channel was thus settled, and there was no correspondence about the tank and its feeder till November 1909 when Colonel Smyth, Sanitary Commissioner to the Government of Mysore, began a fresh series of correspondence by inviting the attention of Government to the malariously swamp annually reproduced on the eastern side of

of the road to the East of Sampige tank and on the side of the Sydney road and suggested that the level of the area should be raised by taking material from the bed of the tank and that the capacity of the tank should be increased and the formation of pools in its bed prevented

As regards the swamp within the Bangalore City Municipal limits the Municipal Council was asked to take necessary action The area on the eastern side of the Sampige Road being within the Station limits copy of an extract from the Sanitary Commissioner's letter was (under the then First Councillor's direction) sent to the Hon'ble the Resident with a request that the Civil and Military Station Municipality might be moved to take necessary action in the matter

Pol No 947 D/9-5-10

ter No 5889 D/25-6-10

10 Thereupon, the First Assistant Resident forwarded copies of the

Civil and Military Station Municipal President's letter of the 10th June 1910 and its enclosures and called for the views of the Durbar regarding the proposal of the President of the Municipal Commission, Civil and Military Station to divert the feeder channel so as to make it pass its entire length through the Durbar land, without passing through that part of the land lying within the Civil and Military Station limits

Copies of the Station municipal President's letter were forwarded to the President of the Bangalore City Municipal Council, the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, the Chief Engineer and the Sanitary Commissioner for their views in the matter Their attention was also invited to the previous correspondence about the construction of a waste weir to the tank Subsequently at the suggestion of the Sanitary Commissioner, the Sanitary Engineer and the Chief Engineer

the Municipal President, Bangalore City, Sanitary Commissioner and the Superintendent of Revenue Survey were requested to meet and discuss the question thoroughly.

G.O.No.2815-S/354-09 D/22-8-10.

11. In the meantime, reminders having been received from the Residency for a very early disposal of the matter, the Dewan forwarded copies of certain papers, Chief Engineer's memo dated 25th May 1911 and the Dy Comr's letter dated 18th July 1911, &c- to the Hon'ble the Resident, demi-officially on the 14th September 1911 with a view to explain to the Hon'ble the Resident the difficulties which beset the case

D.O.No.3780 D/14-9-11.

In reply, the Resident stated that the position had altered since Mr Mc Hutchin reported on the case and suggested that the steps to be taken for remedying the situation and the apportionment of cost might be suitably discussed by Messrs Visveswaraya and Richards with the assistance of such sanitary experts as it might be thought advisible to call in

D O No 565 D/26-1-12

Vide Mr. Visvesvaraya's D.O.letter No.494 D/ 5-9-12 to the Dewan.

In pursuance of that suggestion Mr. Richards and Mr Visvesvaraya met at the tank on the 7th March 1912 and discussed the proposed improvements. Mr.Richards promised to meet the Chief Engineer again but after several reminders he is stated to have written to say that the Civil and Military Station Municipality cannot afford to spend money on the work this year. The Chief Engineer says that the question has been already discussed threadbare and that it now resolves itself into one of funds. In his opinion if the buildings which have sprung up betwe periods of short supply and apparent immunity are to be permanently protected the works estimated to cost Rs8,000 shou be carried out. (A brief account of th works is given in para 7 of his memo D/ 26th May 1911 in the file) This he con siders very necessary and states that a rough and ready solution of the questio would be to induce the bungalow owners of the bungalows both in the Civil and Military Station and in the City limit

to contribute a third of the cost, the balance being met from the funds of the two municipalities in such proportion as may be decided upon later on after further discussion. He suggests that if the proposal meets with the Dewan's approval further action may be taken after consulting the Hon'ble the Resident.

13. The Dewan's order on Mr. Visveswarayya's above D.O.letter is as follows:-

" Please put up a draft reply to the Residency on the lines suggested by the Chief Engineer. In the meanwhile, President, Bangalore City Municipality, should also be consulted as regards the suitability of the proposal and the willingness of the Municipality to contribute The papers to be sent up through the 2nd Councillor".

Sd/ T.A.R.

13. Necessary drafts are put up.

(Initialled) M.A.S.(50)
3-10-13.

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Refers

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D O No 1509

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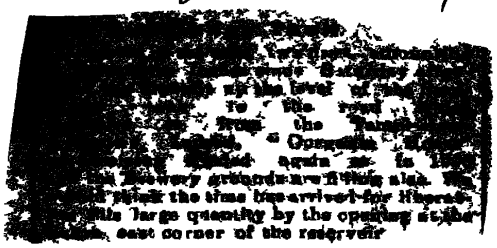
TANK VIEW, YELWAL ROAD, MYSORE



Submitted

The subject of deepening the Sampange Tank and raising the level of the malarious swamps to the west of the Sidney Road and to the east of the Sampange Road was suggested by the

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Q to O

Sanitary Comm^r on his letters N^os 8826 and 2105 & 17.11.09 respectively. As the swamp to the east of the Sampangi Road is in the limits of the C.t.M.Stn, an extracts from the Sany Com^rs letters were sent to the Residency in this office letter N^o 9477 & 10-5-10 for necessary action.

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Q

In reply the H. Resident in his letter N^o 3839 & 23-6-1910 forwarded copy of a letter from the Pres^t of the C.t.M Stn Committee suggesting the desirability of diverting the supply Channel of the Sampangi from & its present course within the limits of the Stn and make it run entirely within the city limits. At

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Copies of this comm^n were forwarded to the Pres^t City Municpl Council, the Dy Comm^r, Bangalore Dt, the Salvy Comm^r and the Chief Engineer for submission of their views in the matter with reference to the correspondence of 1906. The entire file of correspondence on the subject was also sent to the Salvy. Comm^r.

Subsequently at the suggestion of the Salvy. Comm^r a committee consisting of the marginally noted officers was appointed to meet and discuss the question after inspecting the spot and submit a joint report in the matter.

The committee's report

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(1) The Salvy Comm^r
(2) " Engr
(3) The Chief Engr
4) The Supt of Rev: Survey
5) The Pres^t Bangalore City Mnl Council.

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has not yet been received and is being awaited.

In the meanwhile a reminder having been received from the Residency, an *ad interim* reply stating that the matter has been referred to a Committee for report and that a further communication would be made on receipt of the Committee's Report, was sent to the Residency on 22-10-1910.

The file relating to this subject is herewith put up.

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7/11/10

Please enquire when the Committee's report may be expected

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Sub Judge

The Sanitary Cantt is full and the Deputy wishes to know what action has been taken on a reference from the Residency to open a Kodi to discharge the surplus water

Over

Dy. 14/11/10

The file on the subject is herewith put up and submitted. The Revenue note therein explains the facts

Dy. 15/11/10 The reference from the Residency relates to the diversion of the supply channel.

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Sub

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Subject to the Dewan

The Residency letter of 23rd June is related to the Co-operation of the Durbar for getting rid of the Malarial Swamps in the bed of Sampajay tank. The subject has been ~~rep~~ referred to a Committee of Durbar Officers for diverting the supply channel to the tank

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H.C.R.

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By IV
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D.O.No. 1948 6/11

The Palace, Bangalore,

5th January 1911.

My dear Sir,

With reference to the enclosed letter from Capt. Campbell Ross of the XXth Deccan Horse, His Highness would be obliged if you would kindly make enquiries and let him know whether anything can be done to drain the Polo Ground referred to without injury to the wet and garden lands under the Sampige Tank. His Highness is also curious to know how it happened that a portion of a Tank-bed ~~was~~ allowed to be used as a Polo ground.

Yours sincerely,

T. Ananda Rao, Esq., C.I.E.,
Dewan of Mysore,
Bangalore.

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D 4399

Re draining off the Polo ground in the bed of the Sempange Tank

1) Daily Acc^t File N^o 1126 of 97-98
2) Irrigt 1280-08 Vol-6.
3) Irrigt 356-07.

The available references on the subject are put up.

There is now a proposal to deepen the Tank and to raise the level of the neighbourhood of the tank by taking the material required from the tank-bed. In connection with this proposal the C^t Dn Sts authorities proposed that the supply channel from the north entering the tank through C^t Dn. St^s Lands may be deviated so as to pass entirely on Government land. This question has not yet been decided and the report of a Committee appointed to inspect the locality and submit proposals is being awaited. It is not known how

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the settlement of this question would affect the Polo ground.

It will be seen from the correspondence that Col Smyth from whom emanated the subject of deepening the tank first proposed that the portion wanted for a polo ground might be retained as such and the rest of the bed deepened. Subsequently Col Smyth stated "my proposal involves treatment of the entire bed of the tank including the leased portion (Polo ground) — which would doubtless have to be dealt with later"

It is also submitted that Govt. refused to sanction the opening of a temporary waste weir in the tank on the ground that it would affect the vested interests of the holders of lands below the tank. with a view to improve the safety of the tank Govt also sanctioned the estimates for improving the

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feeder channels of the tanks by cutting off the supply to the Builders' tanks

The ~~papers~~ files connected with this subject were sent to the Secy. Comm^r with this office letter No. 1385 S 10-8-1910 for reference in connection with the report called for regarding the diversion of the feeder channel of the tank.

Attention is also respectfully invited to Sir H. Sheshadri Iyer's order in pencil on the office note in Public Works File 122-98. The office has now been able to trace the previous history and submitted for orders.

Secy) 10.1.11

Please write to the Dist City Engr & enquire how the tanks feeding his area are filled. Can he use the K.R. channel?

10/1/11

Put up draft 11-1-11

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The P.D. Lancers cease to want it after their new lines were built

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No of letter replied to 4399 D.O.

No 5972

General and Revenue Secretariat
(Municipal)
, the 19

te of issue 17/11/19

Signed by Mackenna

Sir,

I am directed to request you to be so good as to state when and under what circumstances the Sampigehalli tank-bed came to be used as a polo ground by the XX Bengal Horse after it was given up by the 18 Lancers.

Yours sincerely,

To

B. J. Kumaraswamy Naik Esq., B.A.,
President, Bangalore City Municipal Council.

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List of enclosures,

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Municipal Office,
D.O.No. 137 Bangalore City, 23-1-1911.

Br IV Mme 26/1 Revenue Sub/

5 4777

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your D.O. letter No. 5972 dated the 17th Instant IN RE leasing of Sampige Tank-bed.

2. When the tank-bed was given up by the Imperial Service Lancers in 1897-98, the IV(Queen's Own) Hussars got the lease of it for 1898-99. Then, up to end of 1904-05, the bed of the tank was being leased out year after year for grazing purposes.

3. From 1905-06 up to November

Submitted with respects to the Secy's order at page 4.

Secy) 26/11 Mme

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Vide DO reply to Mr Campbell — No. 1907 Mme 27.1.11

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~~30 Jan~~ 1
11 February

D O No. 1907/Gen 2

My dear Sir,

I have the return
~~Lt~~ Capt Campbell Ross'
of the 3rd Jan., enclosed
your DO No 234 of the 5th
idem, about the use of a
portion of the bed of the Sampige
tank as a Playground.

2 He accompanies
a letter from the Vice-Presi-
dent of the ~~City~~ B
Municipal Council
to the Depy Comr, Bangalore,
explains how a portion
the tankbed came to be
used as a playground

3 The question of draining the
tank is under the consideration
of the Chief Engineer's Affairs
as I know it is undesirable,
in the interests of the wet
and garden lands below,
to drain the tank even partially

Yours sincerely
11 Feb 11
R ICS (Revenue)

We
Call for the
papers relating
to the transfer
ownership of a
portion of the Tankbed
Also ~~the~~ letter (revenue
Dept) 11 Feb 11

Make routine note

In the
Secretariat
Dept

11 Feb 11

Rec'd 22/1/11

D O N. 7 1999

Doc. 377.

Submitted to the Dewan & approved. The Chief Engineer may be requested to report on the question of draining the tank &c 23/1/11

Deputy Commissioner's Office,
Bangalore, 20th January 1911.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O.letter No 1781 dated the 6th January 1911, enquiring how it happened that a portion of the Sampige tank-bed came to be allow-ed to be used as a Polo-ground and whether anything can be done to drain the polo-ground as requested by Captain Campbell Ross of the XXth Deccan Horse without injury to the wet and garden lands under the said tank, I am to enclose for the information of the Dewan Saheb a copy of letter from the Vice President, Municipal Council, explaining the circumstances under which the tank-bed was given out for being used as Polo-ground

2. As regards the draining off the water from the tank-bed, I understand the subject is engaging the attention of the Chief Engineer

Yours Sincerely,

To

K Mathan, Esq , B A ,
Under Secretary on duty
with the Dewan of Mysore

Letter No.1763 dated 9th January 1911, from the Vice President, City Municipal Council, Bangalore, tothe Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

-oOo-

With reference to your D.O.letter No.364 dated 7th January 1911, regarding the leasing of the Sampige Tank bed to be used as Polo-ground, I have the honor to state that from the file of papers available in this office, it is gathered that out of a total area of 35 acres, 13 guntas of the tank, 16½ acres are fit for polo-playing. Out of this extent, 4 acres 16 guntas are in the permanent enjoyment of Mrs.Brown having been given by Government some years back to one Mr.Brown in exchange for what the Government took from him in Nandidroog. The remaining 12 acres belong to the Municipality. This was let out for grazing purposes yearly for an annual rent ranging from Rs.120/- to Rs.362/-.

2. Major King of the XXI Hussars, for the first time in March 1890, applied on behalf of the Bangalore Polo Club for a long lease of the ground for Polo playing. The proposal to lease out the tank-bed to the XXI Hussars was approved by the Board and Government sanction obtained thereto.(Vide Government order No. 2093-4/100 dated 6/11th June 1890). But the Company after a protracted correspondence did not accede to the terms of the conditions of the lease and the proposal thus fell through in June 1891.

3. In May 1894, at the request of the Military Secretary to Government, the tank-bed was unconditionally placed at the disposal of that Officer, as a temporary measure, to be used, as a polo-ground by the Officers of the Imperial Service Lancers,who, however, ceased to play there a few years after.

4. In September 1898, the IV Hussars applied for the lease of the tank-bed for polo purpose through the Hon'ble the Resident and the lease was granted to them at an yearly rent of Rs.200/- on certain conditions - the chief of which being that they should in no way interfere with the water-supply in the tank and that payment should be made regularly.

5. [illegible] the [illegible] licensed [illegible] grant to the Company on the basis of the Imperial Military Department to be issued [illegible] Rs.[illegible]/- the [illegible] being recovered in advance.

6. The [illegible] have been in possession of the [illegible] for the past 4 or 5 years, paying Rs.[illegible]/- yearly. Last year, remainder of half the house rental was refused to the [illegible] as the subject, owing to the [illegible] being [illegible] rental.

7. The [illegible] file of papers dealing with the subject, together with the enclosure of the D.O.letter under reply are herewith sent.

"GOD"

Deputy Commissioner.

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[illegible] the name of
[illegible] and send the A.G. [illegible]
[illegible] as enclosure to
[illegible] (Note May [illegible])

[illegible]
6/1/11

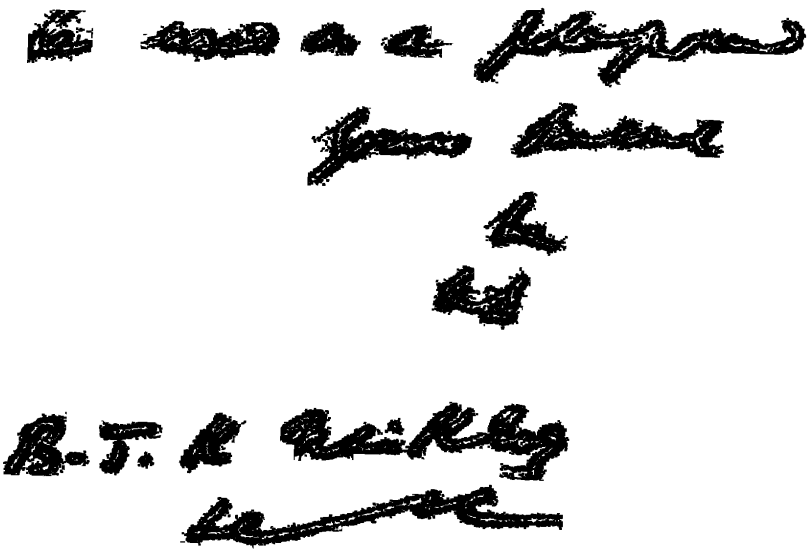
D O. No. 1781
Enc 1

67/1/11

Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Dewan to enclose for favour of report herein, a letter from Capt Campbell Ross of the XX^th Deccan Horse to the Private Secretary to the Maharaja about apartments drawing. the Sampige Tank to enable the bed to be used for Polo

2 The Dewan wishes to know whether anything can be done to drain the Polo ground without injuring the wet and garden lands under the Sampige Tank He also desires to know how it happened that a portion of a Tank bed came to be allowed



Letter from Captain A. Campbell Ross of the 14th Deccan Horse to the Private Secretary to His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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I am writing on behalf of the Regiment to ask you if His Highness could do anything towards getting a portion of the "Sampagay Tank", which is the Regimental Polo Ground, drained.

It is so very full this year that there does not seem to be much probability of Polo being played on it before this year's monsoon, which would mean that we could not have any Regimental Polo in Bangalore before the Regiment leaves and as this is the only opportunity our Native officers and Rank and file have of playing polo I have taken the liberty of writing to you.

I need hardly point out to you how indebted all Ranks would be to His Highness, as, as things go, they will not have played polo for 18 months when we leave.

I am mostly awfully sorry for troubling you like this and should be most awfully obliged if His Highness could be approached on the subject.

P.S. The City Municipal authorities have informed us that as our Polo ground is the highest part of the tank, the draining of this would still leave sufficient water at the ends of the tank to supply the gardens below the bund throughout the year

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"Copy"

Under Secretary

D.o letter No 1948 dated the 5th January 1911 from the Secy to H.H the Maharaja to the Dewan forwarding a letter from Capt Campbell Ross of the XX-D Deccan about draining a portion of Sampige tank for converting it to a Polo ground and enquiring how the tank bed came to be allowed to be used as a Polo ground

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Under Secy's note on the 2nd

To the Secretary for kindly directing that any available references may be put up

orgl sent to Secy.

CD 26/1/11

The Dy Comm^r
reply ~~to~~ regarding
Miss Brown's ownership
has not yet been received
The file on this subject
(L.T. Mis 178 of 1910-11)
is in the Branch -
BOR
6/2/1912

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with ref to the accompanying Extract (para 1) from letter No 1763 B 9/11 from the Vice President, Bangalore City No 9, to the D/C Bangalore the Dewan desires to see (1) the papers relating to Mrs Brownlow's ownership of a part of the bed of Sampige tank & (2) also the Village (revenue) Map —

Dy K M
11 2 11

Secretary

"Copy"

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject

2578
4 2 12
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Copies of D.O. letters on the subject of improving the Sampangi tank and its surroundings.

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Order

~~K RW~~
12/2/12

Submitted to His Highness

I submit for information a copy of my D O letter No.2780 dated 14th September 1911 to the Resident and of the Resident's reply, dated 26th January 1912 on the subject of improving the Sampangi Tank and its surroundings The Resident's reply explains the present situation The file is being transferred to the Chief Engineer for further discussion of the question with Mr Richards as suggested by the Resident The problem is how the necessary improvement can be effected without prejudice to the water supply in wells under the tank upon which cultivation in a large extent of garden lands is dependent

P Ramanathan
4 Feb 12

Demi-official letter No.563/Enc.4 dated Bangalore, 26th January 1912, from the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, to the Dewan of Mysore.

I am much obliged to you for your D.O.letter No.2780 dated the 14th September 1911, on the subject of the Sampangi Tank, and I return, with thanks, the enclosures which you kindly forwarded for my perusal.

The position appears to have altered since Mr. McHutchin reported on the case. At that time the important question seems to have been how far the Brewery had any legitimate grievance. The necessity of draining the malarious swamp to the eastern side of the road was raised in the first instance by the Chief Sanitary Commissioner to the Durbar in his letter No 2105, dated the 17th November 1909. There appears to be no doubt that the tank itself has silted to a considerable extent, with the result that the water on the eastern side of the road is unable to escape into the tank and the swamp thus formed is largely due to the capacity of the tank having been reduced The main point therefore is that the whole of the [illegible] on both sides of the road is admittedly a source of malarial infection, and from this point of view Mr. Vishvesvaraya's argument that the entire advantage from the drainage of the tank will accrue to the Cantonment would seem to fall to the ground The [illegible] are -

(1) In April 1911 there was a serious outbreak of [illegible] fever in the bungalows and the City authorities have permitted to be erected within their limits on the low ground south west of the Sampangi tank

(2) The malaria spread to some houses in the Station limits

(3) The existence of malaria in the City has long been a permanent menace to the health of the Station and the slow The question therefore resolves itself into the urgent neces-

necessity of removing a source of infection which threatens the City and the Civil and Military Station alike. I feel sure that, if the matter is examined from this important aspect, the Durbar will realise that the proposal is one of mutual benefit and that they will co-operate with the Municipal Commission of the Civil and Military Station in endeavouring to devise a remedy for the situation. In all the circumstances, I should like to suggest, for your consideration, that the steps to be taken and the apportionment of the cost might be suitably discussed by Messrs Visvesvaraya and Mr. Richards, with the assistance of such sanitary experts as it might be thought advisable to call in.

"Copy"

Matthan

Under Secretary on duty with
the Dewan.

Please keep these D Os with the file relating to the Sampangi Tank -

extract of your letter sent to Bangalore for enquiry please

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Public Works Secretariat
Bangalore 15th Nov 1910

My dear Dr Pattana Chetty

Mr Srinivasa Rao, the Photo-graphy who has to visit you will meet you at 8 a.m. tomorrow at the place named in your letter

If you would kindly obtain from the Deputy Commissioner a clear statement after local enquiry

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Bangalore
15th Nov/40

Dear Sir,

Yours kind &
letter to hand with
view. I shall with-
you at the Sidney
Road address to
- morrow morning

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Bangalore
16 Nov
1910

My dear Sir,

I write a few
lines to see what, if any,
immediate relief
can be given in
the matter of draining
off the surplus water
on the South side of the

C & M Station

Bangalore, 16.11. 1960

Dear Mr Pultanne
Chettar.

I fear I am en-
gaged else where
on Saturday I
shall however
send Mr Upshaw

Yrs sincerely
J Richards

D.O.No. 7r 1916

DO No 318
S.S

Deputy Commissioner's Office,
Bangalore, 20th December 1910

Dear Sir,

I beg to enclose for your kind information copies of the undermentioned correspondence between the Chief Engineer and myself regarding the draining off of excess water in the Sampigehally Tank.

Yours Sincerely,

To

T. Ananda Rao, Esq., B.A , C.I.E ,
Dewan of Mysore.

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1. D.O.letter No.246 dated 24th November 1910 to the Chief Engineer.
2. Chief Engineer's D.O.letter of the 24th November 1910.
3. D.O.letter No.191 dated 3rd December 1910 from the Chief Engineer with its enclosure.
4. D.O.letter No.272 dated 6th December 1910 to the Chief Engineer.

Bramlett
ask the Committee to
to settle the question
early next week
10/1/11
Bangalore
9th Dec 1911
My dear Sir,

I/We [illegible] would like to know what decision was arrived at by the Conference held at the Sanjaya Camp, I enclose a demi-official

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To
The Supdt for IV

Herewith the further correspondence about the Sawfeje Tank bed in Bungalow being used as a Polo ground by the XX^th Deccan Horse. The Dewan called for the papers on the subject on the 6th Jan^y 11 Kindly let me know what action has been taken in the matter You will please note that the Under with the Dewan has called for the references now.

B. L. Rice 26/1/11

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ins 26/1

The papers have just been submitted to the Secy. After receipt they will be sent to the Dewan's office

26/1/11

GPB—

The Supt, Dewan's Office
Submitted to the Under Secy.

The Secy for Kindly the
Papers Dewan's Office as a reply
to the Resident
Campbell Bn

27/1/11
Papers sent

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Should be attached for reference on
Correct unit No 9907
27 0 00
Quarantine Ste No 3524 - 07

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Sub 2.

The file is herewith for use.

Mrs.

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Dated 15/1/13

Drawing of the Sampage Tanks

In this case, reminders have to issue as per Dy Secy's orders, replies not having been rec'd as

Subd for orders with one
to Chief Engineer

TS 61
29/10/13
29

Issued
Dy
29/10

To Executive Engineer N.
502 Pd 3 & 3 Tracings sent
explanation

Rep'd Executive Engineer
Todays Issue Tee Narsapur
29/10/13

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Draining the Sampige tank
Bangalore city

G.R.S 26] 31/10

File No
Serial No

Diary No of letter replied to

No 5028
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dy 31 10 13

General and Revenue Secretariat
(Pub)
, *the* 19

To
The Chief Engineer of
Mysore

Date of issue 31/10/13.

Signed by Mr A V Ramanathan

Sir

I am directed
to invite your attention
to this office letter no
3747
current file dy 17th Sep 1913
Pub 15-1-13)-2
requesting submission of
plans & estimates for
draining the swamp in
the Sampige tank & to
request you to use early

over

SUBJECT

Lu 7 11

as to expedite their
submission and also
to state when they may
be expected to be received
in this Secretariat

2 I am also to request
that favour of a reply
may be sent before the 5th proximo
in order that the Government
may be informed
as to when the Report should be expected to be received here.

for Secy

Delhi

27/10/13

List of enclosures,

Copied by

Examined by

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re Tel no 354-S
Rs 24-12

As reply has not as yet been received the issue of a Do reminder is proposed

Rs 69
24/3/13

Issue
24/3/13

To President and Cl Bangalore cy No 745 d 24 3 13 (2 0) Engrs have to expedite the report as a reply was to be sent by the Resident from Do No 1045 d 23 3 13 States that will take an early opportunity to place them

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Encl nil Cl & report[ed]

The receipt of a reply may be awaited till the 5th April 1913 & a reminder issued on the 7th if no reply is received in the meanwhile

Submitted for orders

DS 64
29/3/13

Reminder issued 5 Cons
4/4/13

yes HH
31/3/13

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File No

Serial No,

Diary No of letter replied to

No 7490
ml 35209
9/24/13

General and Revenue Secretariat
( )
, *the* *19*

To

My dear sir

Date of issue 24.3.13

I am directed

Signed by hm Jagir

to request you to be so
good as to expedite the
submission of information
called for in this office letter
no 6660 dated the
9ml 3524-09)-29
12th March 1913 about
drawing the swamps along
the eastern margin of the
Sarangpur tank

SUBJECT

2 The matter may be kindly receive your
kindly attention as a reply has to
be sent to the Residency
yours sincerely
24/3/13
Rayasahebmukka Devan Bahadur
K P Puthanveetil Esq

List of enclosures,

Copied by 24/3

Examined by 24/3

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D. O. No. 165

Bangalore 25th March 1913

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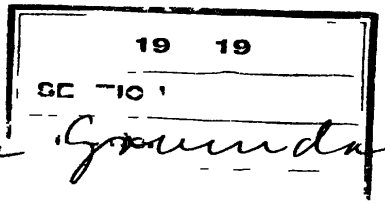

Dear Mr Govinda Rao

Your D.O of the 24th instant anent the Sampige Tank. The plan of the works proposed by the Chief Engineer was received by me on the 20th inst. and I shall take an early opportunity to place the matter before the Board.

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From the R. W
Secretariat- O-O
No. 493 d the 5th Sept
1912 from Mr. K
Hutchinson (O 5-4)

Returns the G.R.S
file of papers on the
Sandsange Tank as
desired in the Demi-official
letter No. 3 5 d the 2nd
Sept 12

Secretary's order
Ref a
Ord

The Demi-official
referred to is not
in Government
ascertained that the
writer file was sent
to the Deputy with
note from Asst D.

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C.P.B.—3,000 11/12

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If approved, the file of papers now received from the P W Secretary may be sent to the Superintendent of the Dewans office for being put up with the main file. The covers or docketts in the subject of enhancing the Samasthanam fund and its surroundings that were in the office (32) are also appended.

The file of papers relating to the title of Mrs Barnow to a portion of the Samasthanam fund had been added in the Vouchers note file & were removed to the Dewan on the 6th September & now 3 pp 6

Submitted for order

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1/9/12

The may be done, after the file is obtained the paper herein the (submitted) to the Secy, or ordered on PWD letter dt 9 Sept 12

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Ref No D1574
24 9 12

Forwarded to the Superintendent of the Navals Office for favour of putting up these papers with the main file & sending the file for submission to Secretary

D369
19/9/12

To Supdt Navals Office
20 9 12

The file is being sent back today for the demi-orders — [if it may be the necessary when the papers can be to the Branch]

BDR
26.9.12

The D.O. referred to in the paper under disposal has been put up with the main file As no

L329
WB

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action is necessary in the present case, this may await the decision of the main question

TLS 09

7/10/12

The main file is separately submitted & orders today

8-10-12

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Dom: 493/E ml file DIARY No 1514

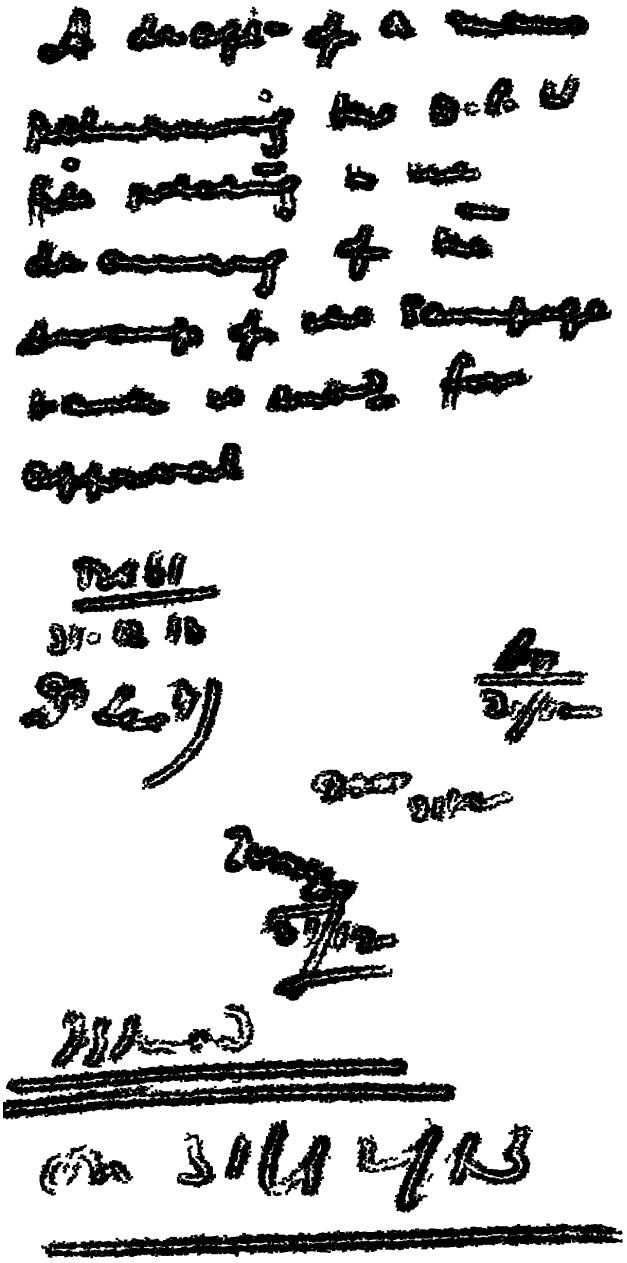
PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT,

Bangalore 6th September 1942

Hy. dep. Sy.

As desired by the Dewan in his D.O. No. 3151 dated the 3/6th February 1912 the General and Revenue Secretariat file of papers on the Sampangi tank is herewith returned.

K.R.Srinivasaiengar, Esq , M.A.,
Offg Secretary to Government,
General and Revenue Departments.



6609 unv Memo By 31/12/13

mel The D I W Lee

In the drawing of the Swamp along the eastern margin of the Sample Farm is herewith returned with the ~~information~~ situation that ~~the~~ the estimate amounting to Rs. 4,000 has been approved by the Government Sanction No 15/of/19 by the Government. The cost being over three the sources noted in the margin.

Rs 8000/- contribution received by the Asst Commissioner of the C+H Station + the bungalow owners therein

Rs 4000/- from the funds of the Bungalow Society and Council

Rs 2160 from the annual revenues

The Tenders may be informed that the works will be started immediately + required to arrange for the commencement due when the C+H Station being placed at the disposal of the Engineer

The Dewan desires that the works when so much started at the earliest

Draft

Am 31/12

Please — I'll Scan when not come + see Dr. —

12 To the Secretary Public Works P.W.D